

FREES WIFE SLAYER FAITHFUL TO ARMY

French Court-Martial Acquits
Capt. Herail, Whose Spouse
Followed Him.

SAYS HE WAS DRIVEN MAD BY DISREGARD OF ORDERS

Officer Breaks Down and Weeps Violently as He Tells of Love for
Slain Wife.

PARIS, April 10.—Capt. Jean Herail, an officer in the French cavalry, was acquitted today by a court-martial which tried him for killing his wife at Compiègne last November because she persisted in following the army in order to be near him. Previous to the shooting orders had been issued to the military authorities prohibiting officers and soldiers from receiving their wives during the campaign. It was brought out today that Capt. Herail became mentally unbalanced through worry over the possibility of his wife's refusal to obey this law and leave him.

Pathetic Scene in Court.

Seldom has a more pathetic scene been witnessed in a Paris court than that of today when Capt. Herail took the stand in his own defense. The soldier wept as he told of the great love which he bore for his wife, and of how, when she steadfastly refused to return home and he believed her to be a mad woman, he became "absolutely mad and was driven to the last extremity" of killing his loved one.

Says He Became Mad.

"You do not realize how great was the love I had for my wife," he said, brokenly. "When I believed I would be cashiered because of her determined refusal to leave me, and when I realized that she would follow me, I became mad, absolutely mad, and was driven to the last extremity."

Sharply Reproves Herail.

Col. Jacquillat, who presided over the court, reproved Capt. Herail sharply for playing the victim upon his wife, and asked why he did not use some other method than to shoot her. "I did," replied the captain. "Tried every means. I was unstrung; I was out of my mind to kill the wife I loved."

Tells of Good Record.

Col. Moineville, commanding Capt. Herail's regiment, the 11th Hussars, testified regarding the orders which had been communicated to officers forbidding wives from visiting their husbands at the front. He spoke of the defendant's excellent military service during twenty-two years in the regular army.

Business Men to Prison.

Officers of Defunct Mississippi Company Are Found Guilty.

ABERDEEN, Miss., April 10.—Four officers of the defunct Tishomingo and Stone Company were found guilty of using the mails to defraud by a jury in the federal court here today and given prison sentences.

Demur to Horn's Petition.

U. S. Attorneys Attack German

Dynamiter's Habeas Corpus Writ.

TWO ANNOUNCE FOR SENATE.

Judge Olds and Mr. Robinson Can-

didates in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 10.—Judge Walter Olds of Fort Wayne and State Senator Arthur H. Robinson of Indianapolis today announced they were candidates for the republican nomination for United States senator in the primary early next year.

Alleged Bank Robber Arrested.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 10.—Charles Johnson, alleged to be a member of the Henry Starr gang of bandits, who robbed the Stroud, Okla., banks two weeks ago, was arrested today at Pawnee and has been taken to the jail at Chandler. Johnson is thirty years old and lives near Okemah. Two of the robbers still are at large.

FATHERS' CONGRESS FORGED ON WOMEN

Agriculture Department Club
Expert Thinks Male Par-
ents Should Organize.

MR. OSCAR H. BENSON SPEAKS AT THE RALEIGH

Convention Delegates Also Hear
Other Talks on Subject of
Children.

"There is a vast difference between parenthood and motherhood," declared Oscar H. Benson, an agriculturist of the Department of Agriculture, in charge of work in the northern, central and western states, at the session yesterday afternoon of the state convention of the fathers' congress of the District of Columbia branch of the National Congress of Mothers and National-Teacher associations, held at the Raleigh hotel.

Mr. Benson had for his subject "Giving City Boys and Girls Rural Values Through Home Gardens." The speaker said it is a great thing to be a father, but that he considered it a greater thing to be a mother.

Congress of Fathers.

The formation of a "congress of fathers" in this country, and especially in Washington, was advocated by the speaker. He declared that the fathers ought to be organized as are the mothers that they might better learn the care and raising of their children. "If the fathers would give into such an organization and work shoulder to shoulder with the mothers we would have excellent work done."

They Need No Pity.

"The country boy and girl needs no pity from you people," he said. "The cities and towns are built for business and grown people and not for children. The country is the place for the children."

Good Time to Talk It Up.

"This is an exceptionally opportune time," Mr. Benson continued, "to consider this question, because, while the war in Europe has centered the attention of our people upon the subject matter, we have no aggressive intention against any nation and there is no hint of any such aggressive intention on the part of any nation against us."

Seeking American Labor.

Newark Reports Request From England for 1,400 Men.

NEW RULES FOR STEAMERS.

Vessels Carrying Passengers Must

Have Auxiliary Electric Plants.

Under a law recently enacted all passenger-carrying steamers operating on inland waters as well as along the coast will have to be provided with auxiliary electric lighting plants for service should the main electric generating outfit become disabled.

Test of 16-Inch Gun for Canal.

The big 16-inch gun which is to be placed in the Panama canal fortifications and which is at the Watertown arsenal, where its carriage is being built, is expected to be sent to Sandy Hook by June 1 to receive its final test. Late in the fall it will be transported to the Panama canal, where it will be mounted.

WILL TEST RESERVE ACT Trust Company Bankers to Question Constitutionality of Fed- eral Law.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The constitutionality of that clause in the federal reserve act allowing national banks, where state laws do not intervene, to exercise the powers of trust companies, is to be tested by the trust company section of the American Banking Association, it was announced tonight by L. M. McArthur, chairman of the executive committee of that section and president of the Fidelity Trust Company of Newark, N. J.

NATIONAL PROSPERITY HERE, Is Mr. McAdoo's Message

Declaring that only illness prevented him from accepting the invitation of the Westchester County Democratic Club to its annual dinner in New York last night, Secretary McAdoo wrote President Van Cortlandt of the club yesterday saying that national prosperity, "now planted upon sound economic foundations, is becoming more pronounced and widely diffused every day."

Summary of Work.

Summarizing the work of the Wilson administration, Mr. McAdoo wrote: "A nation saved from the disasters threatened by the European war; prosperity restored; peace preserved; government administered in the interests of all the people; back-door influences destroyed; high moral standards maintained; legitimate business safeguarded; the tariff intelligently reformed; the federal reserve act enacted and a new and safe financial system established—these are, in part, the democratic achievements during the brief period of two years. The party can take the country on its record with confidence in itself and trust in the people."

ACCUSED OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Edgar Fulk Charged With Causing

C. L. Robinson's Death.

A charge of manslaughter was preferred against Edgar Fulk, said to be one of the wealthiest residents of Montgomery county, Md., as a result of the fatal accident in which Louis Robinson, the Logan, who was knocked down by Fulk's automobile at Thomas Circle yesterday morning.

North Carolinians to Meet.

A program embracing addresses, musical and literary numbers is to be a feature of the April meeting of the North Carolina State Society of Washington, Friday evening, April 24, at the Confederate Memorial hall, 1322 Vermont avenue. Refreshments also will be served.

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